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For: COMPOSITE POROUS MEMBRANE AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

## RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Customer Service Window, Mail Stop Amendment
Randolph Building
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Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Official Action of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office dated March 25, 2011. Inasmuch as the three-month shortened statutory period for reply is set in the Office Action to expire on June 25, 2011, this response is filed concurrently with a Request for a Two-Month Extension of Time and required fee. If any additional fees are necessary to maintain the pendency of this application, Applicants authorize the Office to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0089. Please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper; and

**Remarks** begin on page 8.